

TENNESSEE EDUCATION LOTTERY CORPORATION

Invitation to Bid

A. PURPOSE

The Tennessee Education Lottery Corporation ("TEL") is soliciting bids for the following services and/or products:

Voice and Data Infrastructure

Minimum requirements for this Invitation to Bid (ITB) are defined in **Section G, TECHNICAL CONSIDERATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS.**

B. GENERAL INFORMATION AND SCHEDULE

This ITB has been issued on Wednesday, November 26, 2003. Questions and requests for clarifications relating to this ITB should be directed to Jasmine Batth, who can be reached at:

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Responses to this ITB are due no later than **5:00 p.m.** Central Standard Time (CST) on ***Wednesday, December 3, 2003.***

C. EQUAL OPPORTUNITY

The TEL prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, gender, religion, national origin, or disability in connection with employment of any person, or the award of any contract with the corporation.

The TEL will provide equal opportunities without regard to race, color, gender, religion, national origin, or disability, by requiring that any firm doing business with the corporation provide equal opportunity to persons and businesses employed by, or contracting with the supplier of products and services to the Corporation.

D. MINORITY PARTICIPATION

It is an overall objective of the TEL to encourage involvement by minority contractors and suppliers in business activities generated by the Corporation, while assuring that such activities will be conducted in accordance with all applicable laws. Furthermore, in accordance with the Act, it is the declared policy and intent of the Corporation to strive to maximize participation of minority owned businesses to achieve a minimum participation of fifteen percent (15%) through all business contracting opportunities.

E. NON-EXCLUSIVE RIGHTS

The TEL does not intend to grant any entity the exclusive rights to provide all equipment, materials, and services required by the TEL during the period covered by any contract resulting from this ITB.

F. ACCEPTANCE

The TEL reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bid responses, and to negotiate with any or all vendor(s) in any manner necessary to serve the Corporation's best interests.

G. TECHNICAL CONSIDERATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS

The Tennessee Education Lottery Corporation requires the following Goods or Services:

Voice and Data Infrastructure:

The TEL requires a voice and data network infrastructure that will support its needs for a 10-year period of time. This wiring infrastructure must be cost effective, standards based, "state of the art", maintainable, manageable and expandable for that period of time.

Use of existing vertical risers and wiring closets should be factored into any plans and designs. There are currently two wiring closets, each having an existing optical fiber run to the proposed computer room. One additional optical fiber run should be considered to connect the two closets creating a redundant fiber ring between the closets and proposed computer room. The computer room will also serve as the third wiring closet serving that portion of the building. Design should include adequate connectivity for up to forty pieces of equipment in the computer room. These would consist of assorted servers, routers, firewalls, telecommunications equipment, etc.

The bid responses should address installation, testing, labeling and certification of the finished product. The bid must also indicate time frames required including lead times and any prerequisites needed to complete the job in the time required for the TEL.

Cost

- Brand and technical specifications of proposed wiring and optical fiber.
- Brand and technical specification of proposed wiring closet components (racks, patch panels, etc).
- Quantities of each item proposed.
- Brand and technical specifications of proposed outlets, boxes, quad boxes etc.
- Discuss in realistic terms what installation and customization is required to fully implement the proposed solution. Indicate time frames as well as lead times required.
- Discuss the proposed testing and certification process including labeling methodology and standards.

Bidder is to provide a pricing quotation as follows:

- 1) Quotation #1 shall be for a voice/data infrastructure compatible with the TEL LAN/WAN and a TCP/IP based phone system.
- 2) Quotation #2 shall be for a voice/data infrastructure compatible with the TEL LAN/WAN and a traditional digital/analog phone system.

Each of these quotations must include all installation fees. All parts are to be listed as separate line items.

Bids must include requisite user and administrative training and must also include pertinent warranty periods and service level agreements for each item bid. All bids must clearly identify those items that meet requirements set forth in this solicitation and must clearly show how those items may be configured and priced to meet bid requirements. If bidders do not bid on every item, those omitted items must be identified.